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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Yusuke YAMADA, et al. ) : Examiner: Hoang X. Ngo  
Application No.: 09/944,133 ) : Group Art Unit: 2852  
Filed: September 4, 2001 ) : Allowed: December 18, 2003  
For: DRIVING FORCE RECEIVING ) : Confirmation No.: 1779  
MEMBER AND DRIVING ) : January 14, 2004  
MECHANISM )

**Mail Stop Issue Fee**

Commissioner for Patents  
Post Office Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR CORRECTED NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

Sir:

Applicants have received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, form PTOL-85, dated December 18, 2003, with an attached Notice of Allowability. The Issue Fee is due March 18, 2004, and has not yet been paid.

In the Notice of Allowability, the allowed claims are identified as being "1-6, 11-13, 15, 16, and 48-60". The allowed claims should be identified as being --1, 3-6, 13, 15, 16, and 48-60--. (Emphasis added)

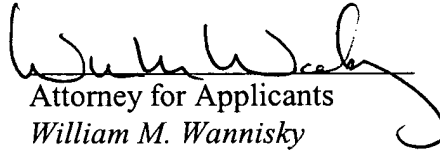
Claim 2 *inter alia* was canceled in an Amendment, filed July 2, 2003.

It is respectfully requested that a corrected Notice of Allowability be issued in the above-referenced application correctly indicating all of the allowed claims to avoid the possibility of any confusion.

Favorable consideration hereof is earnestly solicited.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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